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Christ's College Magazine

LENT TERM, 1923

EDITORIAL

AT a Magazine committee meeting, held on Friday, December 1st, D. C. J. McSweeney was elected sub-editor; and D. L. Burn and J. C. Taylor were elected to the committee.

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This number is small, since we hope to produce a larger one in the summer. We trust that our usual appeal for contributions will meet with a generous response. We take this opportunity of thanking old members of the College for the interest they take in the Magazine, and for their contributions. We would remind all contributors, however, that we cannot accept anything of a Political or Theological nature.

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We congratulate Mr E. W. Shepperson (U.), and Lieut.-Col. T. H. Parry, D.S.O. (Nat. Lib.) on their being returned at the recent General Election to represent Leominster, and Flintshire, respectively.

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We offer our best wishes for success to all the Lent Boats.

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We acknowledge with many thanks the receipt of *The Caian* and *The Emmanuel College Magazine*.



Norman McLean

Christ's College Magazine

CENTENARY NUMBER

MAY TERM, 1923

EDITORIAL

THIS is the Hundredth Number of the College Magazine since its inception by Dr Rouse in 1886. It has been our intention to signalise this event by publishing a number of contributions and reminiscences by old members of the College, and also by reproducing a photograph of Mr McLean, Senior Tutor since 1913. May he long continue to hold this office! A short history of the College Magazine, for which our thanks are due to Mr Rackham, will be found elsewhere.

We wish most sincerely to thank all contributors for their kindness in responding to our appeal, and we take this opportunity of reminding all members of the College, whether now in residence or long since gone down, that contributions will always be welcomed.

We do not feel that this is an occasion for editorial longwindedness, as we trust that the nature of this issue and its contents will speak for themselves.

We would like however to place on record our gratitude to the Butler, Mr J. R. Tithecott, for his invaluable assistance in collecting material for the Magazine, in proof reading, and in "countless, unremembered" ways. Nor must the University Press, which has been our printer

MORGAN LE FAY

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SLYLY falleth silver moonlight
 On the chill and lisping water
 By the shores and forest dim;
 So that in the pallid starlight
 Goeth by a lovely daughter,
 Strangely looketh sweet on him.

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Straight her figure as she moveth,
 Spirit-like, across the shadows;
 Soft her lashes kiss her eyes:
 In a moment, lo! he loveth
 Her that moveth in the meadows,
 Dusky, like to paradise.

3

Pale is she within his dreaming,
 Ever near him in the daylight;
 Standeth by his lonely bed...
 Lo! the water is all seeming
 That did whisper in the moonlight
 Ere that lovely lady fled.

R. C.

AGAINST BIRTHDAYS

I ATTACK birthdays not because there is any vice essentially inherent in having a birthday (for then the whole of mankind would from the outset be condemned on this score) but because of the dangerous mass of irrelevance, snobbery and superstitious nincompoopery with which a decadent age has invested their celebration. It is conceivable, I know, that some may be unable to recognise any such corruptions in what is to them a harmless, homely, personal and therefore very enjoyable festivity; and these, in the first place, I would ask to think of the queer performances which they either had enacted on the occasion of their own coming of age, or (if they be as yet so tender) which they hope to have enacted thereat in the near future; performances queer enough to warrant the prosecution both of themselves and the rest of their accomplices before, during and after the fact under a very large number of sections of the Superstitious Practices Act: and if there be any who admitting the undesirability of these things yet refuse to allow that they are in any way to be taken as tokens of an effete and degenerate race; I would recall to them the examples of former kings, nations and empires; reminding them how Pharaoh's birthday which witnessed the feast that he gave to all his nobility witnessed also the execution of one of his highest servants, his chief baker; and brought with it not long after seven years of famine, together with the speedy overthrow of his dynasty; how the birthday feast of Herod was made also the occasion of an execution, when John's head was brought in to fulfil an oath sworn

being "A New Commandment," "A group of Cambridge Theologians and their message for to-day" (by Mr Hunkin, the Dean of Caius), and "The Problem of Sunday Games."

The Society entered a "four" in the College Regatta held on March 14th, the crew's turn-out as regards costume being much admired. We unfortunately lost in a good race with the Science Club.

The officers for 1923 are: *President*: Rev. E. G. Jaquet; *Vice-President*: A. H. White; *Secretary*: G. A. Westrup; *Treasurer*: W. H. S. Ingles; *Committee*: H. J. Barnard.

This Society exists for the study not merely of theology but of the Christian religion in all its aspects. We are making progress but more members will be welcomed, and all intending ordinands in particular are urged to join us.

C. C. SCIENCE CLUB

THE Club held four meetings in the Lent Term when papers were read by the following: Dr G. F. C. Searle, F.R.S. on "Nervous Breakdowns," Mr Priestley (Clare) on "Antarctic Exploration," Mr I. E. F. Wickham on "Man's Descent" and Mr L. E. Morris on "Plant Diseases."

The outstanding feature of the term was Mr Priestley's paper, which was illustrated by lantern slides and for which paper the Society entertained the Downing College Scientific Society.

At the last meeting of the term it was decided to hold no meetings during the May Term and the following were elected officers for the Michaelmas Term: *President*: Mr A. Swallow; *Secretary*: Mr F. T. K. Pentelow; *Treasurer*: Mr F. Kellett.

It should be understood that membership of the Society is not limited to those reading Science. All interested in Science are invited to become members.

C. C. NEOPLATONIST SOCIETY

FOUR meetings were held during the Lent Term. Dr Haddon read a paper to the Society on "Primitive Law"; and other papers were read on "Atheism," "Glass-Houses," "The General Will," and "St Francis."

C. C. DRAMATIC SOCIETY

LENT TERM, 1923.

THE Society had another successful term, the following plays being read: "Arms and the Man," "The Schoolmistress," "Loyalties," "Hassan," "Abraham Lincoln," "You Never Can Tell," "An Enemy of the People."

The officers for the Easter Term are: *President*: Mr B. W. Downs; *Vice-President*: H. S. Dean; *Secretary*: D. R. Hardman; *Treasurer*: J. A. G. Bruce.

Christ's College Magazine

MICHAELMAS TERM, 1923

EDITORIAL

IN taking over the College Magazine we would apologize for the late appearance of this Number and for its meagre size compared with the magnificent Centenary Number. The editorship, but, alas, no copy, was handed over to us at the end of the May Term—at a time when men did not feel like writing any more. Thus what we have got together has been collected with no small difficulty, and we would here take the opportunity of thanking all who have helped us at this juncture and would again remind all members of the College, especially those who have gone down, that contributions are always welcomed.

We are sorry that so few Freshmen offer their contributions. If the Magazine is to continue to prosper it is they to whom we must look, as, naturally, every May Number means the going down of those upon whom we have chiefly relied. There is no reason at all why a man should not write in his first year.

Christ's is this year to be congratulated upon having a record number of Freshmen, a total of 98. We hope that the numerous and varied interests and activities of these will be the means of a rich literary harvest for the College Magazine.

Our heartiest congratulations to Mr J. T. Saunders on his election as a College Tutor. We wish him all success.

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CONTRIBUTIONS for the Magazine from old members of the College, as well as from those now in residence, will always be gladly received by the Editor; copy for the next number should be sent in as soon as possible.

Any news of interest concerning past and present members of the College not now in residence will be welcomed by the Editor.

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